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AMENDMENT

In response to the Examiner's Action mailed June 4, 2002, having a three month shortened statutory period for response, please enter the following amendments and remarks into the record. It is noted that a petition for a three-month extension of the shortened statutory period set by the Examiner was filed in the instant application on November 5, 2002.

Please add claims 18 and 19 as follows.

18. Tablets containing paroxetine, produced on a commercial scale by a process which comprises the steps of:

a) dry admixing paroxetine and excipients in a mixer to form a mixture; or